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Thomas A. Mangan  
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Subject: Response to May 2, 2011, Letter

Dear Mr. Mangan:

I am in receipt of your letter dated May 2, 2011, concerning electrical power generation and a process to break down ores into elements. The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining regulates oil and gas drilling and mining activities. We have neither the expertise nor the mandate to evaluate processes such as those you are proposing.

If the processes are sufficiently developed, I suggest you should consider applying for patents, but if not, you may be able to find a research institution, such as a university, that would investigate them.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker  
Minerals Program Manager

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